

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Original) A nail polish removing device (1) comprising:

a container (4) defining a nail polish removing solution compartment in a bottom part thereof, and having a side wall with an opening disposed above the solution compartment, the opening dimensioned to receive that portion of a foot to be cleansed or treated, and

a porous and pliable medium (2) disposed in said container (4) at least partly above said solution compartment and in contact with said solution so that when the device (1) is in use, the solution at least partly permeates the medium (2), said medium (2) having a slot or cavity (3) dimensioned to receive that portion of the foot to be cleansed or treated, the slot or cavity (3) disposed in alignment with the opening so that a portion of a user's foot can be inserted laterally through the opening into the slot or cavity (3).
2. (Original) The device (1) according to claim 1, wherein the container further comprises a ledge (6) disposed at bottom of said opening, the ledge (6) dimensioned to rest the user's foot when that portion of the foot to be cleansed or treated is inserted through the opening.
3. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to claim 1 or 2, further comprising a container cover (7) dimensioned to substantially seal the container (1) against a loss of the solution when the device (1) is not in use.
4. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 3~~ claim 1, further comprising non-skid means (5) for enhancing attachment of the device (1) to a substrate when the device (1) is in use.

5. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 4~~ claim 1, wherein said container (4) is made of plastic.
6. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 or 5~~ claim 1, wherein said porous and pliable medium (2) is a sponge or foam.
7. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 6~~ claim 1, wherein said nail polish removing solution is transferred from said solution compartment to said porous and pliable medium (2) by capillary transfer.
8. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1, wherein said nail polish removing solution is transferred from said solution compartment to said porous and pliable medium (2) by agitation.
9. (Currently Amended) The use of the device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 8~~ claim 1 to remove nail polish from toes.
10. (Original) A therapeutic cleansing device (1) comprising:

a container (4) defining an active solution compartment in a bottom part thereof, and having a side wall with an opening disposed above the solution compartment, the opening dimensioned to receive that portion of a foot to be cleansed or treated, and

a porous and pliable medium (2) disposed in said container (4) at least partly above said active solution compartment and in contact with said active solution so that when the device (1) is in use, the active solution at least partly permeates the medium (2), said medium (2) having a slot or cavity (3) dimensioned to receive that portion of the foot to be cleansed or treated, the slot or cavity (3) disposed in alignment with the opening so

that a portion of a user's foot can be inserted laterally through the opening into the slot or cavity (3).

11. (Original) The device according to claim 10, wherein said active solution is either a medicinal solution or a cleansing solution.
12. (Currently Amended) The use of the device according to claim 10 ~~or 11~~ to treat a portion of the foot.
13. (Currently Amended) The use of the device according to claim 10 ~~or 11~~ to cleanse a portion of the foot.
14. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 13~~ claim 10, wherein the container further comprises a ledge (6) disposed at bottom of said opening, the ledge (6) dimensioned to rest the user's foot when that portion of the foot to be cleansed or treated is inserted through the opening.
15. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 or 14~~ claim 10, further comprising a container cover (7) dimensioned to substantially seal the container (1) against a loss of the solution when the device (1) is not in use.
16. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 15~~ claim 10, further comprising non-skid means (5) for enhancing attachment of the device (1) to a substrate when the device (1) is in use.
17. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 16~~ claim 10, wherein said container (4) is made of plastic.
18. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 or 17~~ claim 10, wherein said porous and pliable medium (2) is a sponge or foam.

19. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 18~~ claim 10, wherein said nail polish removing solution is transferred from said solution compartment to said porous and pliable medium (2) by capillary transfer.

20. (Currently Amended) The device (1) according to ~~any one of claims 10 to 19~~ claim 10, wherein said nail polish removing solution is transferred from said solution compartment to said porous and pliable medium (2) by agitation.